# McBasic-Gigabit

## With LFPT

**Operation Manual** 





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## About the McBasic-Gigabit

McBasic-Gigabit is a low-cost, preconfigured, IEEE 802.3 single-conversion media converter that converts 1000Base-TX twisted pair to 1000Base-SX multi-mode or 1000Base-LX single-mode fiber. It is available with one RJ-45 connector for the twisted pair port and an SC connector for the fiber port.

McBasic-Gigabit is also available in a single-strand fiber version which allows two wavelengths to share one fiber strand — Full-Duplex data travels on different wavelengths (1310 nm and 1550 nm) — doubling the capacity of fiber. The McBasic-Gigabit includes one RJ-45 connector and one SC fiber connector.

#### NOTE

All McBasic-Gigabit units, including 1310 nm single-mode (TX/LX), 850 nm multi-mode fiber (TX/SX) and single-strand versions (TX/SSLX), will be referred to as McBasic-Gigabit throughout this installation guide except where differences need to be indicated.

## Installing a McBasic-Gigabit

To install McBasic-Gigabit, first make sure that the unit is placed on a suitable flat surface. Attach the cables between the McBasic-Gigabit and each device that will be interconnected and then plug the unit into a reliable, filtered power source.

#### **INSTALLATION TIP**

Since single-strand fiber products use optics that transmit and receive on two different wavelengths, you must deploy single-strand fiber products in pairs, or connect two compatible B&B Electronics single-strand fiber products. For example, connect McBasic-Gigabit, TX/SSFX-SM1310-SC (which has 1310 xmt and 1550 rcv) to a product which has 1550 xmt and 1310 rcv, e.g. McGigabit, TX/SSFX-SM1550-SC. The two connected products must also have the same speed and distance capabilities (i.e. both are single-mode [20 km] or both are single/PLUS [40 km]).

#### AutoCross Feature for Twisted Pair Connection

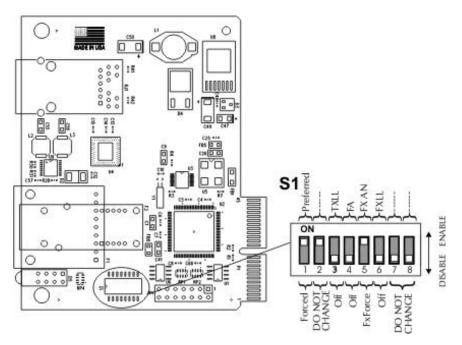
All twisted pair ports on the Managed Media Converter Module 10/100-II include AutoCross, a feature that automatically selects between a crossover workstation and a straight-through connection depending on the connected device.

## **Configuration Instructions**

McBasic-Gigabit has user-configurable features located on the PCB board. Please refer to the board diagram and the table for available features.

To access the McBasic-Gigabit board for configuration, loosen the two screws on the front of the unit. Slide the board out of the enclosure (faceplate is attached). Configure, then slide the board back into the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Following is the McBasic-Gigabit PCB board used to configure the unit.



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| DIP Switch on<br>S1 | Feature                     | Default Setting |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1                   | Forced/Preferred            | ON              |
| 2                   | Factory use - Do not change | ON              |
| 3                   | TX LinkLoss                 | OFF             |
| 4                   | FiberAlert                  | OFF             |
| 5                   | FX Auto Negotiation         | ON              |
| 6                   | FX LinkLoss                 | OFF             |
| 7                   | Factory use - Do not change | OFF             |

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|-----------------------------|-----|
|-----------------------------|-----|

#### \*\* WARNING \*\*

Installing modules without understanding the effects of LinkLoss and FiberAlert can cause functioning units to appear flawed or even non functional.

#### Link Integrity

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During normal operation, link integrity pulses are transmitted by all point-to-point Ethernet devices. When an B&B Electronics media converter receives valid link pulses, it knows that the device to which it is connected is up and sending pulses, and that the copper or fiber cable coming from that device is intact. The appropriate "LNK" (link) LED is lit to indicate this.

The B&B Electronics media converter also sends out link pulses from its copper and fiber transmitters, but normally has no way of knowing whether the cable to the other device is intact and the link pulses are reaching the other end. The combination of FiberAlert and LinkLoss allows this information to be obtained, even when physical access to a remote device (and its link integrity LED) is not available.

## LinkLoss, FiberAlert and Link Fault Pass-Through

McBasic-Gigabit includes the troubleshooting features FiberAlert, TXLL, FXLL and LFPT that help locate *silent failures* on a network. Before attempting to install the module(s), understand how these features work and react to specific network configurations.

## **FX LinkLoss (FXLL)**

FX LinkLoss is a troubleshooting feature. When a fault occurs on the fiber segment of a conversation, FX LinkLoss detects the fault and passes this information to the twisted pair segment. If a media converter is not receiving a fiber link, FX LinkLoss disables the transmitter on the media converter's twisted pair port. This results in a loss of link on the device connected to the twisted pair port.

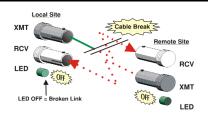
## TX LinkLoss (TXLL)

TX LinkLoss is a troubleshooting feature. When a fault occurs on the twisted pair segment of a conversion, TX LinkLoss detects the fault and passes this

information to the fiber segment. If a media converter is not receiving a twisted pair link, TX LinkLoss disables the transmitter on the media converter's fiber port. The result is in a loss of the link on the device connected to the fiber port.

#### FiberAlert (FA)

FiberAlert minimizes the problems associated with the loss of one strand of fiber. If a strand is unavailable, the B&B Electronics device at the receiver end notes the loss of link. The device will then stop transmitting data and the link



Product with FiberAlert enabled —Remote Site stops transmitting Local Link LED is OFF indicating a break in the fiber loop

signal until a signal or link pulse

is received. The result is that the link LED on BOTH sides of the fiber connection will go out indicating a fault somewhere in the fiber loop. Using FiberAlert, a local site administrator is notified of a fault and can quickly determine where a cable fault is located.

#### WARNING

Enable FiberAlert on one side of a media conversion only. Enabling it on both sides would keep both transmitters off indefinitely.

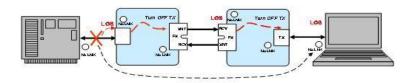
## Link Fault Pass-Through (LFPT)

Link Fault Pass-Through (LFPT) is a troubleshooting feature that combines TX and FX LinkLoss from both the local and remote McBasic-Gigabit modules. LFPT is enabled by turning on both FX and TX LinkLoss on both modules. This feature allows either end of the conversion to detect a link fault occurring at the other end of the media conversion chain. FiberAlert can also be enabled at the main site.

If a cable fault occurs on the remote devices' twisted pair port, then TX LinkLoss detects the fault and disable the OPTICS port.

If a cable fault occurs on the remote devices fiber optics' port, then FX LinkLoss detects the fiber loss and disables the Twisted Pair port.

The link fault is passed through the media conversion and is observed at each end. It acts just like it would if the devices were directly connected.



For more information on LinkLoss/FiberAlert, visit the B&B Electronics Web site at <a href="http://www.bb-elec.com/Tech-Support.aspx">http://www.bb-elec.com/Tech-Support.aspx</a> If unsure of how to implement these features in a specific configuration, contact B&B Electronics Technical Support at (800) 433-5109 (U.S./Canada), +353 91 792444 (Europe) or via e-mail at: <a href="mailto:support@bb-elec.com">support@bb-elec.com</a>.

#### Preferred/Forced Mode

In addition to Master/Slave Modes, McBasic-Gigabit module also includes Preferred/Forced Modes for Master/Slave negotiation. Preferred Mode helps determine whether the module should act as a Master or Slave. Forced Mode should typically only be used when connecting to some legacy switches, or when there is difficulty establishing a link. The default is Preferred Mode (S1-1 is ON).

Since most switches today typically function as Masters, B&B Electronics recommends configuring McBasic-Gigabit as indicated in the table.

| DIP<br>Switch | Feature              | Setting           |
|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| S1-1          | Preferred/<br>Forced | ON<br>(Preferred) |

## FX Negotiation on McBasic-Gigabit

McBasic-Gigabit module includes the FX Auto Negotiation feature which negotiates duplex mode. This feature must be enabled or disabled on both ends of the connection or there may have difficulty establishing a link. If the device being connected to the McBasic-Gigabit module does not support Auto Negotiation, disabling the feature on the McBasic-Gigabit module forces the link up.

DIP Switch settings for FX AN:

| DIP Switch | Setting    |
|------------|------------|
| S1-5       | FX AN = ON |

## **LED Operation**

Each McBasic-Gigabit Converter features diagnostic LEDs that provide information on features and ports.



| McBasic-Gigabit w/LFPT |  |  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| LNK/ACT                | Glows green when a twisted pair link is established. Blinks green when data is detected on the port. Located on RJ-45 connector. |  |
| FDX                    | Glows amber when port is operating in Full-Duplex Mode on the RJ-45 connector.   |  |
| FXLL                   | Glows green when operating in Full-Duplex Mode.  |  |
| TXLL                   | Glows green when TX LinkLoss is enabled on the port.   |  |
| LNK                    | Glows green when a twisted pair link is established.   |  |
| FA                     | Glows amber when FiberAlert is enabled.  |  |

## **Troubleshooting**

 During installation, first test the fiber and twisted pair connections with all Troubleshooting features disabled, then enable these features, if desired, just before final installation. This will reduce the features' interference with testing.

If using a high powered device (which is designed for long distance installations) for a short distance installation, the fiber transmitters may overdrive the receivers and cause data loss. If this is the case, an optical attenuator may need to be added to the connection.

For fiber specifications, visit the B&B Electronics Web site at: <a href="www.bb-elec.com">www.bb-elec.com</a> or contact B&B Electronics for more information.

## **Specifications**

#### **Environmental**

## **Operating Temperature**

+32°F to +122°F (0°C to +50°C)

## **Storage Temperature**

+13°F to 185°F (-25°C to +85°C)

## Humidity

5 - 95% (non-condensing)

## **Power Consumption (Typical)**

McBasic-Gigabit w/LFPT: 100 to 240 VAC, 50/60Hz, 0.2 to 0.1A

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## Fiber Optic Cleaning Guidelines

Fiber Optic transmitters and receivers are extremely susceptible to contamination by particles of dirt or dust, which can obstruct the optic path and cause performance degradation. Good system performance requires clean optics and connector ferrules.

- 1. Use fiber patch cords (or connectors, if you terminate your own fiber) only from a reputable supplier; low-quality components can cause many hard-to-diagnose problems in an installation.
- Dust caps are installed at B&B Electronics to ensure factory-clean optical devices. These protective caps should not be removed until the moment of connecting the fiber cable to the device. Should it be necessary to disconnect the fiber device, reinstall the protective dust caps.
- Store spare caps in a dust-free environment such as a sealed plastic bag or box so that when reinstalled they do not introduce any contamination to the optics.
- 4. If you suspect that the optics have been contaminated, alternate between blasting with clean, dry, compressed air and flushing with methanol to remove particles of dirt.

## **Electrostatic Discharge Precautions**

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can cause damage to any product, add-in modules or stand alone units, containing electronic components. Always observe the following precautions when installing or handling these kinds of products

- 1. Do not remove unit from its protective packaging until ready to install.
- 2. Wear an ESD wrist grounding strap before handling any module or component. If the wrist strap is not available, maintain grounded contact with the system unit throughout any procedure requiring ESD protection.
- 3. Hold the units by the edges; do not touch the electronic components or gold connectors.
- 4. After removal, always place the boards on a grounded, static-free surface, ESD pad or in a proper ESD bag. Do not slide the modules or stand alone units over any surface.



**WARNING!** Integrated circuits and fiber optic components are extremely susceptible to electrostatic discharge damage. Do not handle these components directly unless you are a qualified service technician and use tools and techniques that conform to accepted industry practices.

## **Safety Certifications**

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